

**TOWN OF GOSHEN**  
**CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR RECYCLING AND TRASH - RATS**  
**03/09/2023 - SPECIAL MEETING - 7:00 PM - THURSDAY**  
*This meeting was held via Zoom and Conference Room*

**CALL TO ORDER:** Paul Collins, Recycling Coordinator, called the Special meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

**ATTENDANCE:**

**In attendance at Town Hall Conference Room:** Paul Collins-Recycling Coordinator and Pat Reilly

**Via Zoom:** Cindy Barrett, Lucy Hussman, Annette Lott, Suzanne Rinaldi and Rod Zander

**Excused:** Garrett Harlow

**MINUTES OF LAST MEETING:**

Minutes of the meeting, held on January 11, 2023, were emailed to members for review. **IN A MOTION** made by Pat Reilly seconded by Suzanne Rinaldi, **it was VOTED** to approve the minutes. Motion passed and Pat Reilly and Annette Lott abstained.

**RECYCLING COORDINATOR UPDATE:**

- Paul reported calls regarding how to dispose of extra cardboard boxes, how to recycle a mattress other than waiting till the April recycling day, and how to get a new recycling bin.
- Paul reported a call from The Goshen News looking for information as they plan to include a regular column in the paper for recycling information.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- **RECYCLING DAY - APRIL 1:** Paul noted that the April 1, 2023, Saturday, Recycling Day information was published in the Spring 2023 Goshen Town Topics. The recycling day will include paper shredding, mattress & box spring recycling, and electronics recycling. Advertised also was a "half-price sale" of the outdoor dual chamber compost bin. Todd Carusillo, Goshen First Selectman, had asked that this be promoted and the "Nip's" monies will be used to help fund this recycling effort.
- At the Recycling day, Paul suggested a 2 sided flier be done to hand out advertising the compost bin offer and the Earth Day town wide cleanup to be held on April 22 organized with Erin Reilly - Goshen Recreation Director. A flier was sent via email for members to review and Signup Genius will be used like last year. Paul suggested to also do a town wide bulk mailing of the flier. Torrington Savings Bank will be sponsoring the paper shredding and an interested employee has offered to come to the event and help out. Discussion was had. **IN A MOTION** made by Pat Reilly seconded by Suzanne Rinaldi, **it was VOTED** to do the double sided flier as discussed. Motion passed. Paul asked for volunteers to help on April 1.
- **EARTH DAY - APRIL 22:** Saturday - Town wide clean up day.
- **MEETING DATE AND TIME:** **IN A MOTION** made by Rod Zander, seconded by Pat Reilly, **it was VOTED** to change the meeting time to 7 PM instead of 6:30 PM on the second Wednesday of the month. Motion passed.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- Goshen Town Ordinance - **Title 51 - Municipal Solid Waste and Recycling** - Discussion was had by members regarding the hauling of commercial, business waste and residential waste moving forward to reduce waste and promote proper recycling. Concerns were shared about business waste and proper disposal. Paul reported that a meeting is scheduled for March 21 to discuss "front load dumpster" and tipping fees.
- Rod Zander expressed concern of the proper use of the recycling bins at the Goshen Marketplace. Discussion was had regarding the use of recycling bins, regulations, commercial businesses, and MIRA. Paul will continue discussion with Todd.
- The usual recycling information will be posted on Next Door by Cindy.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**IN A MOTION** made by Suzanne Rinaldi, seconded by Pat Reilly, **it was VOTED** to adjourn the meeting at 7:27PM. Voted unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

*Cynthia Barrett*  
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Attest *Rebecca Z. Brea*  
Goshen Town Clerk